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In The Claims

1. (Previously Presented) A cowshed arrangement comprising at least one milking area, and at least one circular cowshed having a center area and a substantially concentric, surrounding loafing area, and wherein at least one milking area is arranged radially outwardly of the loafing area.

- 2. (Previously Presented) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, and further comprising a driving device.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 2, wherein the driving device comprises at least one driving unit which is displaceable around the center area.
- 4. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the milking area is located within the circular cowshed in a radially outwardly area.
- 5. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, wherein at least part of the milking area is located outwardly of the circular cowshed.
- 6. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the loafing area comprises at least one resting area.
- 7. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 6, characterized in that the resting areas is arranged substantially concentrically around the center area.
- 8. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the milking area comprises multiple milking places.

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9. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the milking area is

configured as a parlor taken from the group of parlors consisting of: a side-by-side parlor, a

herringbone parlor, an auto tandem parlor, a drive-through parlor, an inside access milking

carousel, and an outside access milking carousel, and combinations thereof.

10. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the milking area

comprises at least one automated milking system.

11. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the milking area

comprises at least one through passage having at least one gate which opens and closes

automatically.

12. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, and further comprising at

least one selection sector.

13. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, and further comprising at

least one animal identifier.

14. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the circular

cowshed comprises at least one walkway extending substantially in the peripheral direction.

15. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the circular

cowshed comprises at least one alley extending substantially in a radial direction.

16. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, and further comprising at

least one feeding area between two adjacent resting areas and an automated feed metering

device.

17. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, and further comprising a

pre-waiting enclosure in front of the milking area.

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- 18. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, and further comprising an automated cleaning mechanism.
- 19. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 18, wherein the cleaning mechanism comprises at least one rotating cleaning unit.
- 20. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 19 and further comprising a sweeper, wherein the rotating cleaning unit and the sweeper is arranged relative to one another such that the sweeper will take up the dirt detached by the cleaning unit.
- 21. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 18, wherein the cleaning mechanism and a driving device form one structural unit.
- 22. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, and further comprising an automated bedding spreader.
- 23. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 22, wherein the bedding spreader is coupled to a driving device.
- 24. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, and further comprising a logic unit.
- 25. (Withdrawn) The cowshed arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the cowshed comprises a tent-shaped roof.
- 26. (Withdrawn) The cowshed installation according to claim 1 and further comprising at least two circular cowsheds, wherein the circular cowsheds share at least one common milking area.
- 27. (Withdrawn) The cowshed installation according to claim 26, and further comprising a common milk house.